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**Response Due Date**  
**09/11/2018**

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00663211

REFERENCE: APRIL QUARTERLY REPORT (01/01/2018 - 03/31/2018)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 3 item(s):

1. On Schedule B supporting Line 21(b), you have itemized disbursements for which you have failed to include the purpose. Please amend your report to include the missing information. (11 CFR § 104.3(b)(3))
2. Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why each disbursement was made. Please amend Schedule B supporting Line 21(b) of your report to clarify the following description(s): "Merchandise." For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursement, please refer to 11 CFR 104.3(b)(3)(i).

Additional clarification regarding inadequate purposes of disbursement published in the Federal Register can be found at <https://www.fec.gov/help-candidates-and-committees/purposes-disbursement>

3. Schedule E of your report indicates that your committee may have failed to file one or more of the required 24 hour report(s) regarding "last minute" independent expenditures (see attached). A political committee must file a 24 hour report with the Federal Election Commission as specified in 11 CFR §104.4(c), within 24 hours of any independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more with respect to a given election, made between two and twenty days before an election. The report must be received by the Commission by 11:59 p.m. on the

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day following the date on which independent expenditures that aggregate \$1,000 or more are publicly distributed or disseminated. These expenditures must then be fully itemized on Schedule E, or as memo entries on Schedule E and reflected on Schedule D if distributed or disseminated prior to payment, of the next report required to be filed by the committee. Although the Commission may take further action concerning this matter, your prompt response will be taken into consideration. (11 CFR §104.3(b))

- Schedule B discloses an expenditure(s) for "Photography/Video," Postage," "Billboard Advertising," Billboard Advertising replacement," and "USPS PO Box rental and stamps." If a portion or all of these expenditures were for public communications (as defined by 11 CFR §100.26) containing express advocacy as defined under 11 CFR §100.22, this would constitute an in-kind contribution or an independent expenditure and should be properly disclosed on a Schedule B or E supporting Line 23 or 24 as appropriate. Public communications that refer to a clearly identified Federal candidate, but that do not expressly advocate the election or defeat of that candidate should be reported on Schedule B for Line 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page. Please clarify whether this activity contained express advocacy and amend your report to properly disclose this activity, if necessary.

**Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter.** Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. For additional information about the report review process or specific filing information for your committee type, please visit the Reports Analysis Division's Frequently Asked Questions on the FEC website. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1157.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Chamorro'.

Andrea Chamorro  
Campaign Finance Analyst  
Reports Analysis Division

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**Missing 24 Hour Report (Schedule E)**  
**Mad Dog PAC (C00663211)**

<b>Name of Payee</b>	<b>Dissemination Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Candidate</b>	<b>Election</b>
Independent Billboard Operators	02/19/2018	\$3,360.00	CRUZ, RAFAEL EDWARD TED	P2018 - TX